

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

June 18, 1981

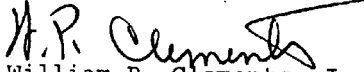
Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14 of the Constitution of Texas, I hereby veto House Bill 273 for the following reasons:

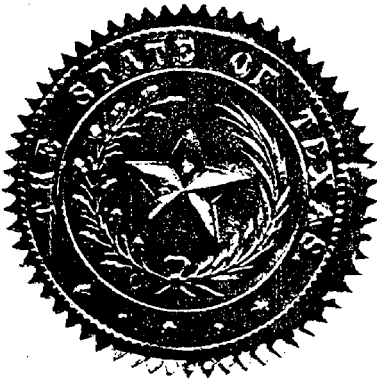
I have previously signed several validation acts, which are normally passed each regular session of the Legislature. However, this validation act of annexation of incorporated cities and towns may interfere with the settlement of the question of gulfward annexation of cities on the Gulf of Mexico. House Bill 411 which has passed, and which I intend to sign, places a two year moratorium on the gulfward annexation by cities until the Legislature can come to a final decision on this problem.

In addition the General Land Office may request the Attorney General to test this matter in court, and I see no reason to potentially cut this off by signing this validation of annexation.

Because of the question that remains unanswered about the gulfward annexation by cities, I veto House Bill 273.

Respectfully,


William P. Clements, Jr.
Governor



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